

UNAPPROVED MINUTES
ARTS COMMISSION
CITY OF MILPITAS

Minutes: Meeting of the Arts Commission (AC)
Date of Meeting: Monday, October 24, 2005
Place of Meeting: City Hall Committee Room, 455 E. Calaveras Blvd.

I. Call to Order The Vice Chair called the meeting to Order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Flag Salute The Vice Chair led the Commission in the Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call Commissioners Present: Ettinger (7:08 p.m.), Hays (7:06 p.m.) Hicks, McGuire, Ogle, Rabe and Alternate Aragon and Butler

Commissioners Absent: Foulk

City Staff Present: Recreation Services Supervisor, Kathleen Yurchak, Community Enrichment Coordinator, Renee Lorentzen

City Council Liaison Present: Council Member Giordano

IV. Seating of Alternates

The Vice Chair sat Alternates Aragon and Butler in Commissioner Foulk's and Commissioner Hays' (7:06 p.m.) absence.

V. Approval of Agenda **MOTION** to approve the Agenda of October 24, 2005.
M/S: Hicks/Butler Ayes: All

VI. Approval of Minutes **MOTION** to approve the Minutes of September 26, 2005.
M/S: Ettinger/Rabe Ayes: All

VII. Citizens Forum Carla Moss
186 - A Beresford Ct.
Milpitas, CA 95035

Ms. Moss stated that she is excited about her recent appointment to the Public Art Committee and hopes to make a contribution to the Committee as a whole.

VIII. Announcements/Correspondence

Recreation Services Supervisor, Yurchak, informed the Commission that members of the Public Art Committee (PAC) were chosen at the October 18, 2005, Milpitas City Council meeting. Larry Voellger, Julie Cherry and Eleana Lawson will represent the Milpitas Alliance for the Arts and Carla Moss will be the "Member at Large".

Commissioner McGuire asked when the first PAC meeting would be held. Supervisor Yurchak stated that the first meeting would probably not be until the first of the year.

Commissioner Rabe announced that the glass cabinet in City Hall is currently themed "Celebrate the Arts." She encouraged the Commission to visit it.

IX. Old Business

1. Work Plan

Commissioner McGuire passed out the latest draft of the “Art in Your City” article for Commission review. The Commission asked that she add information about the upcoming “Tea in the Trees” event.

X. New Business

1. Arts Day Evaluation

Community Enrichment Coordinator, Lorentzen, asked the Commission for their feed back on the Arts Day Event that was held on October 1, 2005, in the Civic Center Plaza. Commissioner Hays said she thought the event was a success. The crowd was great and the artwork was great. Commissioner Ogle stated that she would like to see the dance numbers more staggered. Commissioner McGuire said she was not happy with the Community Canvas as there seemed to be no control and there were a lot of children painting. Supervisor Yurchak explained that it was a community canvas and children and adults were encouraged to paint together.

2. Tea in the Trees Update

Commissioner Rabe informed the Commission that the Subcommittee had secured caterer’s D’N’L for the event and have brought a few samples of the menu to the meeting tonight. She displayed examples of the imprinted napkins for the event and the flyer that Commissioner Hays had designed. Commissioner Rabe said that work parties will need to be formed to assemble the centerpieces. Commissioners commented that they would love to help and look forward to the event.

3. Create A Letter of Interest to Determine the City’s Interest in Planning for a Performing Arts Center

Supervisor Yurchak, informed the Commission that Staff had received an email from Chairperson Foulk, stating that he would write the letter of interest on behalf of the Commission. A draft of the letter would be made available for review at their November meeting.

Commissioner Hays suggested that the Chair contact Julie Cherry, as she is a great resource on this topic. Council Member Giordano said that the Commission should focus on seeing what the interest in this project is first and then in the future, utilize resources from other community organizations.

XI. Staff/Commission Reports

Staff announced the following:

- Veterans Day Ceremony – November 11th – 9am – Milpitas Veterans Memorial

XII. Liaison Reports

1. City Council

Council Member Giordano announced the following:

- 1st Invocation at the October 4, 2005, City Council meeting.
- Rejected the closing of City streets as a Farmers Market location.
- Commission Appointments made.
- City Manager enforcing a reorganization policy to make Departments as lean as possible.

- Council considering VTA proposed seed monies for 880/237 interchange landscaping at the October 18, 2005, meeting.
- PAC appointments approved.
- City Council denied the Mayors Open Government Subcommittee appointments.

XIII. Future Agenda Items

- Arts Commission Recognition Program Update – November
- Trip to San Jose Public Art Tour (PAC)
- CASP Event Commission Assignments

XIV. Adjournment

There being no further business, the Vice Chair adjourned the meeting to the next regularly schedule meeting on November 28, 2005, at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Renee Lorentzen
Recording Secretary